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Amendments to the Claims:

1. – 16. (Previously Canceled)

17. (Currently Amended) Apparatus for cutting multiple stacked webs of laminated, tabbed roofing shingle material comprising:

a multiple-cut shingle cutter adapted to simultaneously cut end cuts through multiple stacked webs of laminated, tabbed roofing shingle material to produce separate roofing shingles from the webs, each of the webs having distinct portions;
at least first and second feeders, each of the first and second feeders adapted to move the webs at least a first and a second web along separate paths to the cutter;
web handling apparatus adapted to receive the at least first and second webs from the first and second feeders, the web handling apparatus adapted to position the at least first and second webs of laminated, tabbed roofing shingle material in a stacked relationship prior to the cutter, wherein the at least second web is stacked below the at least first web;

location sensors adapted to sense the locations of the distinct portions of the moving at least first and second webs, wherein the distinct portions of the first and second webs form repeated patterns; and

a controller adapted to control the location of the cutting, based on the sensed locations of the distinct portions of the multiple stacked webs, so that the end cuts of the separate roofing shingles are positioned at predetermined locations relative to the distinct portions.

18. (Original) The apparatus defined in Claim 17 wherein the feeders are adapted to move the webs independently from each other, and wherein the controller is adapted to control the location of the cutting by controlling the movements of the webs.

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19. (Original) The apparatus defined in Claim 17 wherein the cutter is a rotating cutting cylinder, wherein the distinct portions of the webs form repeated patterns, and wherein the controller is adapted to control the movements of the webs so that the patterns are maintained in phase with the rotation of the cutting cylinder during the cutting.

20. (Original) The apparatus defined in Claim 17 further including distance measuring devices to measure the lengths of the distinct portions.

21. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 17 further including at least one means for inverting at least one of the webs so that the shingles produced from the webs are packaged face to-face/back-to-back in a bundle of shingles.

22. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 17 wherein the controller is adapted for receiving at least one signal from each location sensor, comparing the signals received with a predetermined program, and determining at least one predetermined measured parameter of the distinct portion, determining the location of the distinct portion, and sending signals to the at least first and second feeders to vary the speed of at least one of the first or second feeders, whereby the end cuts are positioned at the predetermined locations relative to the distinct portion.

23. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 23 wherein the controller comprises at least one microprocessor.